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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 27, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An exothermic device for topically delivering an active agent, said device comprising:
- (a) a liquid reservoir, said reservoir is a capsule comprising water;
 - (b) a heating element, said heating element comprising an oxidizable material and where said heating element is in communication with said liquid reservoir;